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SUBJECT: REFUGEES IN AFRICA -- UNHCR

1. DEPARTMENT URGENTLY REQUIRES FOR BUDGET PLANNING
PURPOSES UNHCR'S BEST UP-TO-DATE ESTIMATES OF REFUGEE
ASSISTANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR AFRICA FOR CY 1978 AND CY 1979.

2. MISSION (HA) SHOULD CONTACT UNHCR AND DEVELOP FOLLOWING
ITEMS OF INFORMATION FOR EACH AFRICAN COUNTRY HAVING REFUGEE
PROBLEM:

(A) NAME OF ASYLUM COUNTRY;

(B) NUMBER OF FOREIGN REFUGEES IN COUNTRY WITH BREAKDOWN BY
NATIONALITY AND NUMBERS STILL REQUIRING INTERNATIONAL
ASSISTANCE;

(C) UNHCR PROJECTION OF FUNDING REQUIREMENTS TO MEET COUNTRY
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BY COUNTRY PROGRAMMING IN CY 1978 AND ESTIMATES FOR CY 1979.
PROJECTION SHOULD COVER BOTH LIFE-SUPPORT PROJECTS AND
ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO PROVIDE PERMANENT SOLUTIONS INCLUDING
SEEDS, TOOLS, EDUCATION, ETC; AND

(D) DETAILS OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES CURRENTLY AVAILABLE FOR
CY 1978 PROGRAM (SHOW SOURCE, I.E. USG AND COMBINED TOTALS

FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS) AND ESTIMATED REQUIREMENTS FROM
USG AND OTHER GOVERNMENTS TO INSURE ADEQUATE INCOME FOR
COMPLETION OF 1978 PROGRAM.

3. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE KNOWING INTENTIONS OF HCR TO
ISSUE ANY NEW APPEALS FOR AFRICAN REFUGEE NEEDS THIS YEAR.
PLEASE REFERENCE ANY SUCH RECENT APPEALS WHICH UNHCR
CONSIDERS OUTSTANDING AND STILL UNFILLED.

4. MISSION (HA) SHOULD GIVE THIS REQUEST PRIORITY
ATTENTION AND PROVIDE CABLE RESPONSE BY COB MARCH 31.
WHERE HARD FACTS AND FIGURES NOT AVAILABLE, UNHCR'S BEST
ESTIMATES SHOULD BE PROVIDED. IMPORTANCE OF THIS EXERCISE
IN TERMS OF BUDGET AND POLICY DECISIONS AT WASHINGTON END
CANNOT BE OVER-EMPHASIZED. COOPER

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